

Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project
Advisory Group and Interested Parties

FROM: John Pandiani, Monica Simon, and Sheila Pomeroy

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RE: Mental Health and SRS/Corrections Caseload Overlap

In response to a legislative request for information, the Agency of Human Services recently requested information on the utilization of mental health services by young people who were on the caseload of the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services or the Department of Corrections. The attached tables and graphs present information that was prepared in response to the request. This presentation represents a variation on the caseload integration studies that we distributed earlier. See, for instance, PIPs from 11/3/2000, 10/6/2000 and 2/18/2000 at:

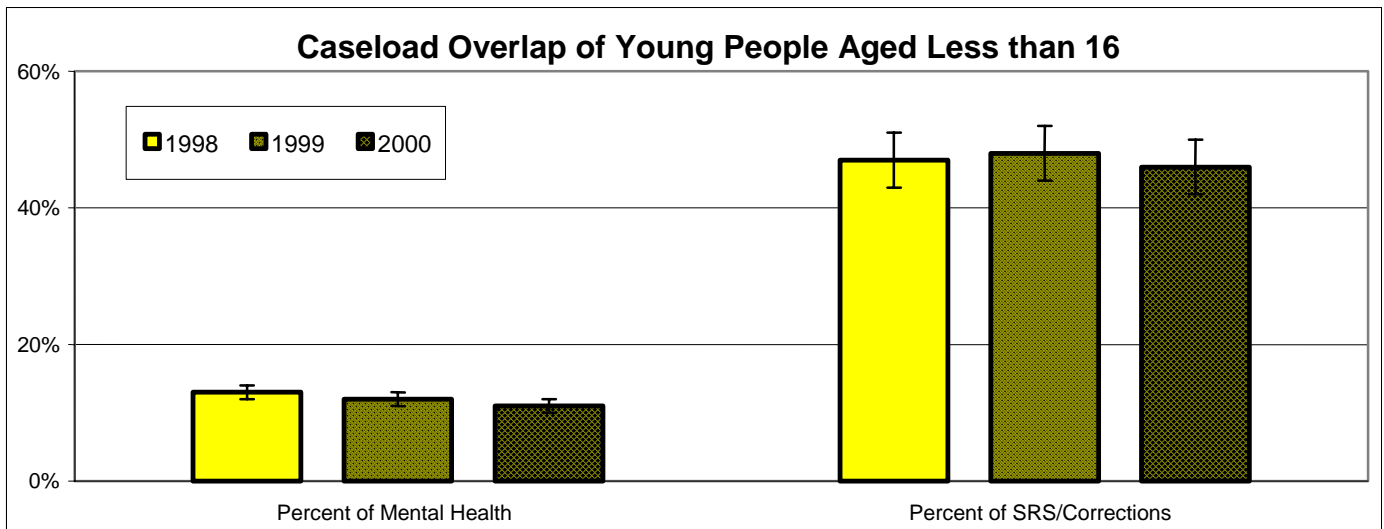
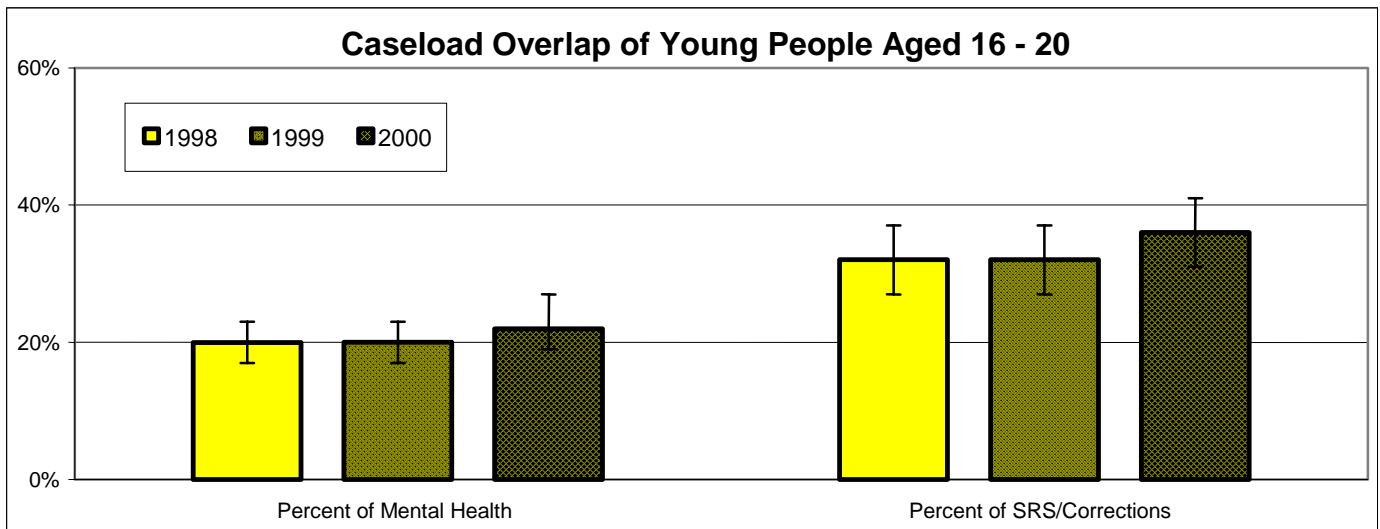
<http://www.state.vt.us/dmh/PIPs/pips.htm>

The attached results are based on analysis of three data sets that are used routinely in the measurement of mental health service system performance in Vermont. These data sets are provided to the Performance Indicator Project by DDMHS funded community mental health programs, the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, and the Department of Corrections. Because the data sets do not share unique personal identifiers, Probabilistic Population Estimation was used to determine unduplicated numbers of people served and caseload overlap between agencies.

As you will see, a substantial proportion of young people on the SRS caseload were also clients of community-based children's mental health programs. About one-third of the 16 to 20 year olds and almost half of the young people under 16 years of age who were on the SRS or corrections caseload during this period had also received mental health services during the same year. The young people made up a smaller proportion of the total community mental health caseload, making up about one-fifth of the 16 to 20 year old mental health caseload and just over one tenth of the mental health caseload less than 16 years of age.

If you would be interested in further analysis in this area, please let us know at 802-241-2638 or jpandiani@ddmhs.state.vt.us.

Mental Health and SRS/Corrections Caseload Overlap FY 1998 - 2000



Age 16 - 20					
Fiscal Year	Total Caseload		Caseload Overlap		
	MH	SRS	Number	% MH	% SRS
1998	2,172 ± 60	1,381 ± 37	441 ± 37	20% ± 3%	32% ± 5%
1999	2,257 ± 63	1,422 ± 39	454 ± 67	20% ± 3%	32% ± 5%
2000	2,438 ± 68	1,517 ± 42	547 ± 73	22% ± 3%	36% ± 5%

Age less than 16					
Fiscal Year	Total Caseload		Caseload Overlap		
	MH	SRS	Number	% MH	% SRS
1998	4,912 ± 91	1,393 ± 22	655 ± 50	13% ± 1%	47% ± 4%
1999	5,142 ± 96	1,330 ± 21	642 ± 50	12% ± 1%	48% ± 4%
2000	5,614 ± 104	1,369 ± 22	624 ± 55	11% ± 1%	46% ± 4%